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MENDENDE TO THE DIRECTOR. CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE SHOPE

ATTENTION: Executive for administration and Management

Office of Operations THROUGH:

SUBJECT: Local Procurement at FBIB Mediterranean Surem

Reference is made to letter of 3 March 1947 from Executive for loutlining procure- STATINTL Fersonnal and Administration to Chief, ment procedures. Upon the withdrawal of all American Army units from _____ the STATINTI primary channel for local procurement, as outlined in eited letter, bement authorized is now the allowance for petty purchases limited to \$10 per item and \$50 per month. Efforts to confine all procurement to requisitions submitted to CIO Service Sranch in Washington have proved unsatisfactory because of shipping lags, delays in customs offices, the arrival of some supplies in unusable condition and the impractionbility of anticipating all requirements with precision several months

It is therefore recommended that procedures for local procurement on the open market be set up for the Mediterranean Bureau, to be used when necessary at the discretion of the Mission Chief within the \$100 legal limitation and within the Bureau's authorized table of requirements (for propurement in excess of \$25) and allocation of funds.

> STATINTL Acting Chief, POID

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